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## **Building Committee Minutes 12/18/2007**

TOWN OF ARLINGTON  
 REGULAR MEETING  
 Tuesday, December 18, 2007

PRESENT: John Cole, Chair; William Shea, Vice Chair; Mark Miano; Suzanne Robinson; Robert Juusola  
 Brian Sullivan, Sue Mazzarella; Charles Stretton

ABSENT: Joseph Curran

PARTICIPANTS: Chief McEwen; Dave Phinney, Design Partnership

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

### **PARK CIRCLE FIRE STATION**

Chief McEwen informed the committee that this was his last meeting. He announced that Bob Jefferson will be the Acting Fire Chief. The station is operating as anticipated and the firefighters assigned to the Park Circle Fire Station are delighted with their new building. Chief McEwen informed us that Kevin Nigro has three options for the antenna installation.

1. Two antennas with repeaters to be installed on the Park Circle water tower.
2. A 60-foot tower attached to the rear of the new station.
3. Standard antennas attached to the belfry.

The committee is waiting for further information before making a decision.

The following invoices were approved by the committee:

<u>Invoice</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Item(s)</u>	<u>Amount</u>
4081	Fitrax Fitness Systems	Fitness Equipment	\$2995.60
4080	Fitrax Fitness Systems	Install Equipment & Flooring	\$1575.00
12995	Graf Bros Leasing, Inc.	Pickup Charges for Container	\$206.25
02821-16	PMA Consultants Services	10/01/07-10/31/07	\$4953.00
1522	Progressive Comm.	Install two phones	\$130.00
12/03/07	Gray Bill (Comptroller)	Two digital phones	\$500.00
42793615	GovConnection	Laserjet Printer	\$615.00
02821-17	PMA Consultants Services	11/01/07-11/30/2007	\$5617.00
9931	LW Bills	Cable Work	\$10000.00
9932	LW Bills	Relocation of Communication Equip	\$16450.00
0156817	RB Allen	Repairs	\$467.50
1554	Techbridge Consulting	Laptop & Docking Station	\$1760.00

### **THOMPSON SCHOOL**

Dave Phinney, the architect for the Thompson School, discussed information that he has received attending meetings of the MSBA. Although the Thompson School was not among the list of schools initially selected by the state, it was in the next tier called the planning stages. Mr. Phinney has heard that being ready as well as needy may put Arlington in a more desirable position than the committee and town initially thought. The state is planning to spend \$500,000,000 per year on school construction and Mr. Phinney believes that some of the schools already selected may not be ready to go, such as financing, planning, etc. He recommended that we update the information on the Thompson School so that when the state visits us in early March we will have a complete story to tell them, including the fact that our school has a schematic design and that we have an existing debt override that would be capable of funding this project.

Bill Shea and Sue Mazzearella were delegated to talk to Superintendent Levenson to obtain his assurance that the information contracted for by Mr. Phinney would be used in his presentation to the MSBA.

The Committee unanimously supported inserting an article in this years warrant to fund the Thompson School provided Mr. Levenson's support would be forthcoming.

The Committee approved the minutes of October 2, 2007 and November 6, 2007.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Shea

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